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SUBJ: SEABEDS CONFERENCE

REF: GENEVA 4060

1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS NEEDS STATED IN REFTEL FOR ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION FUNDS FOR SEABEDS CONFERENCE. WE HAVE FULLY AND SYMPATHETICALLY CONSIDERED REQUEST BUT MUST REGRETFULLY REPORT OUR INABILITY TO MAKE SCARCE FUNDS AVAILABLE.

2. AS DELEGATION IS AWARE, REPRESENTATION FUNDS PROVIDED BY CONGRESS ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED AND MUST BE STRETCHED TO COVER SOME 500 CONFERENCES DURING FISCAL YEAR AT A TIME OF SHARPLY RISING COSTS. \$1500 ORIGINALLY BUDGETED FOR SEABEDS MEETING WAS IN LINE WITH AMOUNTS ALLOTTED FOR OTHER MEETINGS OF SIMILAR IMPORTANCE, SIZE AND DURATION. ADDITIONAL \$1000 ALREADY AUTHORIZED AT DELEGATION'S REQUEST CAUSES TOTAL TO EXCEED BY CONSIDERABLE MARGIN SUMS NORMALLY PROVIDED FOR EQUIVALENT MEETINGS.

3. AS REPRESENTATION FUNDS ARE SPLIT AMONG CONFERENCES IN MOST EQUITABLE WAY POSSIBLE, ADDITIONAL ALLOTMENT FOR SEABEDS CONFERENCE WOULD REQUIRE THAT SOME OTHER EQUALLY ESSENTIAL MEETING BE DEPRIVED OF FUNDS. HOPE THAT DELEGATION WILL UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH AN ACTION CANNOT BE FAIRLY JUSTIFIED. ROGERS

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